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Federal Election Commission
999 "E" Street NW
Washington, DC 20463
Attn: Melissa Hurd, Reports Analyst

April 29, 1998

RE: Ohio Republican State and Central Executive Committee
Year End Report (7/1/97-12/31/97)

Dear Ms. Hurd:

This letter is in response to the Commission's request for additional information regarding the above referenced reporting period. Following are our resolutions to your request.

Please clarify your committee's procedures for obtaining the occupation and name of employer for all individuals who contribute more than \$200 in a calendar year.

As of April 1, 1998 a new procedure has been implemented at the Ohio Republican Party to satisfy "best efforts". Upon receipt of a contribution which when aggregated puts a contributor at \$200 or more, and the employer/occupation information has not been provided, then a letter will be generated to that contributor (copy attached). Prior to the letter being mailed if we have a phone number for the contributor available we will attempt a call first, the call date and response, if any, will then be notated on the letter. This will provide us with hard data to back up our "best efforts" attempts. When the letter is received back from the contributor a memo entry will be entered on the next report due.

Payments made to credit card companies must identify the original vendors from which you have purchased an item or service if your payments to these vendors have exceeded \$200 this year.

I have pulled together all credit card payments made for the above reporting period and entered them on (1) 21(b) and (1) H4 to enable quicker review. Per our